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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patent  
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Sir:

In reply to the outstanding Office Action dated March 20, 2001, the period for reply having been extended two months to August 20, 2001, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 8 as follows:

*TSW*  
8. (Amended) A method for treating an individual in need of suppressing or ameliorating a symptom accompanying diminished homeostasis, comprising:

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